PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q94633

KITAZONO, Eiichi, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/577,154

Group Art Unit: 1623

Confirmation No.: 1395

Examiner: Bahar Schmidtmann

Filed: April 26, 2006

For:

HYALURONIC ACID COMPOUND, HYDROGEL THEREOF AND JOINT TREATING

MATERIAL

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Final Office Action dated March 4, 2010 to September 7, 2010, as September 4, 2010 was a Saturday and September 6, 2010 was a Federal holiday.

The statutory fee of \$980.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. Applicants paid for a one (1) month extension of time with the filing of the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 on July 6, 2010. Therefore, the statutory fee for a third extension is \$980.00 (\$1110.00-\$130.00). The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all

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required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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